



IDAHO HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION

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IHSAA selects five Interscholastic Stars

BOISE, Idaho (May 10, 2017) — The Idaho High School Activities Association and its state championships sponsor, United Dairymen of Idaho, have named five high school juniors as the 2016-17 Spring recipients of its biannual Interscholastic Star Student Recognition Awards.

Virginia Monk (Genesee High School), Poppi Arrasmith (McCall-Donnelly High School), Mikel Davies (Weiser High School), Bukky Ogunrinola (Ridgevue High School), and Jolie Drake (Centennial High School) were selected from a large field of outstanding students nominated by school principals. Virginia Monk was selected as the “1st Place Star” for 2016-17 and will grace the back covers of the 2017-18 state tournament programs.

Nominees for the scholarships are exemplary students who participate in IHSAA-sponsored sports and activities. Each application includes an essay, recommendations from school administrators, and descriptions of athletic and activity participation and service to school and community.

Interscholastic Stars receive a \$2,000 scholarship to the college of their choice. IHSAA, with the support of United Dairymen of Idaho, also contributes \$1,000 to each Interscholastic Star’s school.

All five *Spring 2017* Interscholastic Stars are leaders in their schools and communities:

- **Virginia Monk** — A three-sport athlete at Genesee High School, Virginia is also active in choir, FFA and student government.
- **Poppi Arrasmith** — Soccer, golf, band and student government keeps Poppi very busy at McCall-Donnelly High School. She also finds time to volunteer at the local animal shelter.
- **Mikel Davies** — Mikel is a stellar student at Weiser High School and is active in cross country, track, band, choir, FFA and Science Olympiad.
- **Bukky Ogunrinola** — Bukky is captain of Ridgevue High School’s girls basketball team and an instrumental member of the speech and debate teams. She has qualified for the National Speech and Debate tournament for three consecutive years.
- **Jolie Drake** — Jolie is a leader at Centennial High School and spends her time participating in volleyball, debate, speech, sports medicine, student leadership and National Honor Society.

About IHSAA

Founded in 1926, the Idaho High School Activities Association coordinates, supervises, and directs interscholastic activities that enhance and protect the total educational process of all student participants. Its activities and programs are formulated to promote citizenship and the academic missions of schools. Visit IDHSAA.org for more information.

About United Dairymen of Idaho

The United Dairymen of Idaho was established in 1980, with the mission to provide Idaho’s dairy farm families with resources to support a prosperous Idaho dairy industry. Through coordinated marketing and communications programs, nutrition counseling and research programs, UDI supports the image of dairy farming, and encourages global demand for Idaho-produced dairy products. UDI accomplishes this mission through its three member organizations: [Idaho Dairy Council](#), Idaho Dairy Products Commission and the [Idaho Dairymen’s Association](#). Visit IdahoDairy.com for more details.